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STEP Canada
Tax Technical Committee & Public Policy Committee

RE: STEP Canada Special Symposium: July 18, 2017 Discussion Paper and Draft Legislation

On behalf of its members, on Thursday, August 17, 2017 STEP Canada held a special symposium to explore potential impact of the July 18, 2017 Department of Finance Discussion Paper and Draft Legislation. Senior level representatives from many organizations were invited. There were 71 key industry professionals and senior practitioners in attendance, representing 14 professional associations, 1 University, and 14 firms, including:

- Advocis
- C.D. Howe Institute
- Conference for Advanced Life Underwriting
- Canadian Bar Association
- Canadian Chamber of Commerce
- Canadian Federation of Agriculture
- Canadian Federation of Independent Business
- Canadian Life and Health Insurance Association
- Canadian Real Estate Association
- Canadian Tax Foundation
- Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada
- Family Enterprise Xchange
- Ontario Federation of Agriculture
- and of course, STEP Canada

The proceedings provided the framework for STEP's comprehensive submission to Finance on the proposals, as well as facilitated the development of a cooperative and coordinated course of action for all of the professional organizations who were represented.

The STEP Canada Tax Technical Committee and Public Policy Committee are pleased to provide the day's program and presentation material, along with the Media Advisory that was sent to media outlets across the country this morning.

Please [click here for the Special Symposium program](#) that contains hyperlinks to the presentation materials.

Please [click here for the Media Advisory](#).

STEP Canada endeavours to ensure you are kept up to date with additional initiatives it undertakes on behalf of its valued professional membership and the Canadian public.

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